



STATE OF ARKANSAS

House of Representatives

October 13, 2009

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Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Michael J. Copps
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Broadband industry Practices (WC Docket No 07-52)

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

I am writing on behalf of my Arkansas constituents to express concern and opposition to any sudden actions to impose net neutrality regulations on Internet and wireless companies. My concern is that shortsighted government intervention would harm my constituents as well as every other American who depends on Internet access for work, education and other important daily activities. The Internet also is the backbone of one of our economy's strongest sectors, a fact that must not be overlooked or underestimated.

The private companies that own most of the networks carrying Internet traffic have invested hundreds of billions – if not trillions -- of dollars to provide unprecedented innovation, access and affordability for their customers. They have done so, in large part, because the FCC and Congress wisely kept a loose grip on the reins. That approach serves us well, and the Commission should do everything in its power to remain out of the way now, in order to allow future growth.

If the FCC wishes to play a leading role in the future of the Internet, please consider the Administration's call for universal broadband access by 2014. That is a worthwhile goal but it will require tremendous new investment from industry, not government. Achieving 100% access and adoption of broadband

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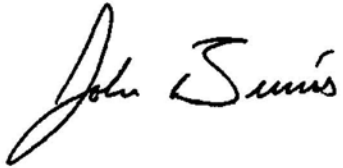
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would be wonderful for my constituents and the nation. I encourage you to turn your energy away from unwarranted regulation and instead support continued innovation and private development of tomorrow's Internet. Onerous net neutrality regulation is shortsighted and should not be part of our long-range strategy for America.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "John Burris". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "B".

John Burris
State Representative